

**Title sheet****South Carolina Telecommunications Tariff**

This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of resold telecommunications services provided by TELECOM NORTH AMERICA INC., ("Telecom North America") with principal office at 1802 N. Carson Street, Suite 108-2683, Carson City, NV 89701. This tariff applies for services furnished within the state of South Carolina. This tariff is on file with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, and copies may be inspected, during normal hours, at the company's principal place of business.

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**Symbols sheet**

D – Delete or discontinue

I – Change resulting in an increase to a customer's bill

M – Moved from another tariff location

N – New

R- Change resulting in a reduction to a customer's bill

T – Change in text or regulation but no change in rate or charge

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## **Section 1 – Technical terms and abbreviations**

**Access Line** - An arrangement which connects the customer's location to the Company's network switching center.

**Authorization Code** – A pre-defined series of number to be dialed by the customer or End-User upon access to the Company's system to notify the caller and validate the caller's authorization to use the assigned services provided. The customer is responsible for charges incurred through the use of his or her assigned Authorization Code.

**Company or Carrier** – TELECOM NORTH AMERICA INC.

**Commission** – Commission refers to the South Carolina Public Service Commission or any succeeding agency.

**Customer** - the person, firm, corporation or other entity which orders service and is responsible for payment of charges due and compliance with the Company's tariff regulations.

**DUC** – DUC stands for Designated Underlying Carrier.

**End User** – End User is the person or legal entity which uses the service provided by the Company.

**LEC** – LEC stands for Local Exchange Carrier.

**State** - State refers to the state of South Carolina.

**Subscriber** – The Subscriber is a person or any entity which subscribes to the Company's services and thereby assumes responsibility for the payment of charges and compliance with the Company's Tariff regulations.

**Underlying Carrier** – “Underlying Carrier” refers to any inter-exchange carrier that provides national and/or international services resold by the Company pursuant to this Tariff.

## **Section 2 – Rules and regulations**

### ***2.1 Application of Tariff***

- 2.1.1 This tariff contains the regulations and rates applicable to intrastate resale telecommunications services provided by Company for telecommunications between points within the State of South Carolina. Company's services are furnished subject to the availability of facilities and subject to the terms and conditions of this tariff.
- 2.1.2 Company's services are not part of a joint undertaking with any other entity providing telecommunications channels, facilities or services, but do involve the resale of the Message Toll Services (MTS), switch network services, private lines and Wide Area Telecommunications Services (WATS) of underlying common carriers.
- 2.1.3 The rates and regulations contained in this tariff apply only to the services furnished by Company and do not apply, unless otherwise specified, to the lines, facilities, or services provided by a local exchange telephone company or other common carrier for use in accessing the services of Company.
- 2.1.4 The subscriber is entitled to limit the use of Company's services by Users at the Subscriber's facilities, and may use other common carriers in addition to or in lieu of Company.

### ***2.2 Use of Services***

- 2.2.1 Company's Services may be used for any lawful purpose consistent with the transmission and switching parameters of the telecommunications facilities utilized in the provision of Services, subject to any limitations listed in this Tariff. Company's Services shall not be used for any unlawful purposes.
- 2.2.2 The use of Company's Services to make calls which might reasonably be expected to frighten, abuse, torment, or harass another or in such a way as to unreasonably interfere with use by others, including the use of obscenity, profanity or lewdness, is prohibited.

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.2 Use of Services (Cont'd)***

- 2.2.3 The use of Company's Services without payment for Service or attempting to avoid payment for Service by fraudulent means or devices, schemes, false or invalid numbers, or false calling or credit cards is prohibited.
- 2.2.4 Company's Services are available for use twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.
- 2.2.5 Company does not transmit messages, but the Services may be used for that purpose.
- 2.2.6 Company's services may be denied for nonpayment of charges or for other violations of this tariff.
- 2.2.7 A Customer of the Company's 800 service will provide not less than ten (10) business days' notice prior to implementation of special advertising or other new promotions likely to stimulate usage.
- 2.2.8 The Company shall not release a Customer's 800 number Responsible Organization until the Customer has paid for all charges due to the Company. The Customer remains responsible for and in any way arising from the Company's retention of the 800 number assigned to the Customer.
- 2.2.9 If in the Company's reasonable opinion a Customer of the Company's 800 service fails to provide sufficient answer supervision, the Company reserves the right to suspend service temporarily and/or deny requests for additional service. The Company shall provide 24 hours written notice of intent to suspend or deny service to such non-compliance.

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.3 Limitations on Service***

- 2.3.1 Service is offered by the Company subject to the availability of necessary facilities, equipment and/or billing arrangements with the DUC and/or LEC. Necessary facilities and equipment may include but is not limited to facilities or equipment to be provided by Company, connecting carriers, owners and operators of transmission capacity leased to Company or the LEC.
- 2.3.2 The Company undertakes to use reasonable efforts to make available services to a customer on or before a particular date, subject to the provisions of and compliance by the Customer with the regulations contained in this tariff. The Company does not guarantee availability by any such date and shall not be liable for any delays in commencing services to any Customer.
- 2.3.3 The Customer obtains no property right or interest in any specific type of facility, service, connection, equipment, number process, credit card, travel card, debit card or code. All right, title and interests to such items remain, at all times, solely with the Company.

***2.4 Location of Service***

- 2.4.1 Originating Areas – Areas in the State of South Carolina where the service has been established by the Company.
- 2.4.2 Terminating Areas – All areas of the State of South Carolina.

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.5 Liability of Company*****2.5.1 Undertaking of the Company****Limitations on Liability**

- A. Except as otherwise stated in this section, the liability of the Company for damages arising out of either: (1) the furnishing of its services, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, or errors, or other defects, representations, or use of these services, or (2) the failure to furnish its service, whether caused by acts or omission, shall not exceed an amount equal to the charges provided for under this tariff for the long distance call for the period during which the call was affected.
- B. The Company shall not be liable to a Customer or third party for any direct, indirect, special, incidental, reliance, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages, including, but not limited to, loss of revenue or profits, for any reason whatsoever, including, but not limited to, any act or omission, failure to perform, delay, interruption, failure to provide any service or any failure in or breakdown of facilities associated with the service.
- C. The liability of the Company for errors in billing that result in overpayment by the customer shall be limited to a credit strictly equal to the dollar amount erroneously billed or, in the event that the payment has been made and service has been discontinued, to a refund of the amount erroneously billed.

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- D. The Company shall not be liable for any claims for loss or damages involving:
1. Any act or omission of: (a) the Customer, (b) any other entity furnishing service, equipment or facilities for use in conjunction with services or facilities provided by the Company;
  2. Any delay or failure of performance or equipment due to causes beyond the Company's control, including but not limited to, acts of God, fires, floods, earthquakes, hurricanes, or other catastrophes; national emergencies, insurrections, riots, acts of terrorism, wars or other civil commotions; strikes, lockouts, work stoppages or other labor difficulties; criminal actions against the Company; unavailability, failure or malfunction of equipment or facilities provided by the Customer or third parties including, but not limited to the DUC; and any law, order, regulation or other action of any governing authority or agency thereof;
  3. Any unlawful or unauthorized use of the Company's facilities and services;
  4. Libel, defamation, slander, invasion of privacy or infringement of patents, trade secrets, or copyrights arising from or in connection with the transmission of communications by mean of Company-provided facilities or services; or by means of the combination of Company-provided facilities or services with Customer-provided facilities or services;
  5. Breach in the privacy or security of communications transmitted over the Company's facilities;

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.5 Liability of Company (Cont'd)*****2.5.1 Undertaking of the Company** (Cont'd)**Limitations on Liability** (Cont'd)

6. Changes in any of the facilities, operations, or procedures of the Company that render any equipment, facilities or services provided by the Customer obsolete, or require modification or alteration of such equipment, facilities or services, or otherwise affect their use or performance, except where reasonable notice is required by the Company and is not provided to the Customer, in which event the Company's liability is limited as set forth in paragraph A of this subsection 2.5.1
7. Defacement of or damage to Customer premises resulting from the furnishing of services or equipment on such premises or the installation or removal thereof;
8. Injury to property or injury or death to persons, including claims for payment made under Workers' Compensation law or under any plan for employee disability or death benefits, arising out of, or caused by, any act or omission of the Customer, or the construction, installation, maintenance, presence, use or removal of the Customer's facilities or equipment connected, or to be connected to the Company's facilities;
9. Any intentional, wrongful act of a Company employee when such act is not within the scope of the employee's responsibilities for the Company and/or is not authorized by the Company;
10. Any representations made by Company employees, agents or contractors that do not comport, or that are inconsistent, with the provisions of this tariff;
11. Any act or omission in connection with the provision of 911, E911, or similar services;

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- 12. Any incompleteness of calls due to network busy conditions;
- 13. Any calls not actually attempted to be completed during any period that service is unavailable.
- E. The Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the Customer or end user from and against any and all claims, loss, demands, suits, expense, or other action or any liability whatsoever, including attorney fees, whether suffered, made, instituted, or asserted by the Customer or by any other party, for any personal injury to or death of any person or persons, and for any loss, damage, or destruction of any property, including environmental contamination, whether owned by the Customer or by any other third party, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, presence, condition, location, use or removal of any Company or Customer equipment or facilities or service provided by the Company.

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.5 Liability of Company (Cont'd)***2.5.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)Limitations on Liability (Cont'd)

- F. The Company does not guarantee nor make any warranty with respect to installations provided by it for use in an explosive atmosphere. The Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the Customer from and against any and all claims, loss, demands, suits, or other action, or any liability whatsoever, including attorney fees, whether suffered, made, instituted or asserted by the Customer or by any other party, for any personal injury to or death of any person or persons, and for any loss, damage or destruction of any property, including environmental contamination, whether owned by the Customer or by any other party, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, presence, condition, location, use or removal of any equipment or facilities or the service.
- G. The Company assumes no responsibility for the availability or performance of any cable, satellite, terrestrial or microwave systems or related facilities under the control of other entities, or for other facilities provided by other entities used for service to Customer, even if the Company has acted as the Customer's agent in arranging for such facilities or services. Such facilities are provided subject to such degree of protection or nonpreemptibility as may be provided by the other entities.
- H. Any claim of whatever nature against the Company shall be deemed conclusively to have been waived unless presented in writing to the Company within thirty (30) days after the date of the occurrence that gave rise to the claim.
- I. No agent or employee of any other carrier or entity, including the DUC, shall be deemed to be an agent or employee of the Company.

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- J. The Company reserves the right to discontinue furnishing services or cancel the Customer's account, without incurring any liability, immediately and without notice if Telecom North America deems that such action is necessary to prevent or to protect against fraud or to otherwise protect Telecom North America's personnel, agents, facilities, or services. Without limitation, Telecom North America may take such actions if:
1. The Customer's service usage charges exceed established parameters based on his or her history of usage or on information provided in his or her application, which may indicate an unlikelihood of payment or possible fraud;
  2. The Customer refuses to furnish information or furnish false information that (i) is essential for billing; or (ii) pertains to his or her creditworthiness, his or her status under federal and/or state low income programs, his or her past or current use of common carrier communications service, or his or her planned use of such service;
  3. The Customer has been given timely written notice, in accordance with applicable state and federal law, by the Company of any past due amount (which remains unpaid, in whole or in part) for any of the Company's or an affiliated carrier's service to which the Customer either subscribe or had subscribed or used;
  4. The Company receives notice from the Customer's local telephone company that the local telephone company cancelled his or her local exchange service;

**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.5 Liability of Company (Cont'd)***2.5.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)Limitations on Liability (Cont'd)

5. The Customer acts, or fails to act, in a manner that hinders or frustrates any investigation by the Company or others having legal authority to investigate the Customer legal obligations;
6. The Customer either refuses to pay when billed for service or indicates to the Company or an entity billing on the Company's behalf that he does not intend to pay for service used by him or her;
7. The Customer uses the service to transmit or receive a message, locate a person, or otherwise give or obtain information without payment for the service (i.e., signaling);
8. The Customer uses, or attempts to use, service with the intent to avoid the payment, either in whole or in part, of the charges for the service by (i) using or attempting to use service by rearranging, tampering with, or making connections to service in an unauthorized manner; or (ii) using tricks, schemes, false or invalid numbers, false credit devices, or other fraudulent means or devices;
9. The Customer's telephone equipment fails to pass back to the Company the appropriate signal to start and stop billing for a call; or

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.5 Liability of Company (Cont'd)*****2.5.1 Undertaking of the Company** (Cont'd)**Limitations on Liability** (Cont'd)

10. The Company has made available service to the Customer and he or she has failed to place the available service into actual and substantial use during the 90-day period immediately following its availability, or, if during any service term, he or she has not actually and substantially used the available service for any consecutive 90-day period. As used in this paragraph, actual and substantial use will mean a pattern of use that discloses intent on the Customer's part to employ the service to transmit information of his or her choosing.
- K. The discontinuance of service(s) by the Company pursuant to these provisions does not relieve the Customer of any obligation to pay the Company for charges due and owing for service(s) furnished up to the time of discontinuance.
- L. The remedies set forth herein are exclusive and in lieu of all other warranties and remedies, whether express, implied, or statutory, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

***2.6 Responsibilities of the Subscriber***

- 2.6.1 The Subscriber is responsible for placing any necessary orders and complying with the regulations set forth in this Tariff. He or she is also responsible for the payment of charges for Services provided under this Tariff, and for assuring that Users comply with tariff regulations.
- 2.6.2 The Subscriber is responsible for notifying the Company immediately of any unauthorized use of Services, and remain liable for all charges accrued until such notification.

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.6 Responsibilities of the Subscriber (Cont'd)***

- 2.6.3 The Subscriber shall ensure that his or her equipment and/or system is properly interfaced with the Company's facilities or Services, that the signals emitted into the Company's network are of the proper mode, bandwidth, power and signal level for the intended use of the subscriber and in compliance with criteria set forth in this Tariff, and that the signals do not damage equipment, injure personnel, or degrade Service to other Customers.
- 2.6.4 The Subscriber must use the Services offered in this Tariff in a manner consistent with the terms of this Tariff, and the policies and regulations of all state, federal and local authorities having jurisdiction over the Service.
- 2.6.5 The Subscriber is responsible for the payment of charges for calls originated at the Subscriber's telephone numbers or Authorization Code.

***2.7 Cancellation of Service***

- 2.7.1 Without incurring liability, upon proper written notice to the Customer, and notwithstanding Subsection 2.5 (Company's Liability), the Company may immediately suspend or discontinue Services to the Subscriber or may withhold the provision of ordered or contracted Services:
- A. For nonpayment of any sum due Company for more than thirty (30) days after issuance of the bill for the amount due,
  - B. For violation of any of the provisions of this tariff,
  - C. For violation of any law, rule, regulation, policy of any governing authority having jurisdiction over Company's Services, or
  - D. By reason of any order or decision of a court, Public Service Commission or federal regulatory body or other governing authority prohibiting Company from furnishing its Services.

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.7 Cancellation of Service (Cont'd)***

- 2.7.2 Without incurring liability, Company may interrupt the provision of Services at any time in order to perform tests and inspections to assure compliance with tariff regulations and the proper installation and operation of Subscriber and Company's equipment and facilities and may continue such interruption until any items of noncompliance or improper equipment operation so identified are rectified.
- 2.7.3 Company may discontinue Service without notice to the Subscriber, by blocking traffic to certain countries, cities or NXX exchanges, or by blocking calls using certain authorization codes, when Company deems it necessary to take such action to prevent unlawful use of its Service or fraud or abuse of facilities or change in rule or regulation by any governmental or quasi-governmental body or agency. Company will restore Service as soon as it can be provided without undue risk, and will, upon request by the Customer affected or on its own initiative, assign a new authorization code to replace the one that has been deactivated.
- 2.7.4 The use and restoration of service shall be in accordance with the priority system specified in part 64, subpart D of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Communications Commission.

***2.8 Billing Arrangements***

- 2.8.1 The Subscriber will be billed either directly by Company or its intermediary.
- 2.8.2 Company will render bills monthly or at another interval. Payment is due upon the Subscriber's receipt of its bill.
- 2.8.3 A late fee of 1.5% monthly or the amount otherwise authorized by law, whichever is lower, will be charged on any past due balances.

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.8 Billing Arrangements (Cont'd)***

- 2.8.4 Returned check charges are set and collected in accordance with S.C, Code Ann. Section 34-11-70.
- 2.8.5 Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for Services furnished to him or her, as well as to all persons using his or her access codes, exchange lines, facilities, or equipment, with or without his or her knowledge or consent.

***2.9 Billing disputes***

- 2.9.1 All bills are presumed accurate, and shall be binding on the Subscriber unless detailed objection is received by Company in writing sent with registered mail within thirty (30) days after such bills are rendered. No credits, refunds, or adjustments shall be granted if demand therefore is not received by Telecom North America in writing within such thirty (30) day period.

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.9 Billing disputes (Cont'd)***

- 2.9.2 If the Customer has an inquiry or complaint regarding Service or accounting, he or she may write to Company at 2654 W. Horizon Ridge Parkway, Suite B5-143, Henderson, NV 89052 or telephone 1-800-972-7538.
- 2.9.3 Adjustments to Customer's bills shall be made to the extent that records are available and/or circumstances exist which reasonably indicate that such charges are not in accordance with approved rates or that an adjustment may otherwise be appropriate.
- 2.9.4 Where over billing to Customer occurs, due either to Company or Customer's error, no liability exists which will require Company to pay any interest, dividend or other compensation on the amount over billed.
- 2.9.5 Credit may be given for disputed calls, on a per call basis, so long as the procedures for disputes are followed.
- 2.9.6 Credit shall not be issued for unavailability of domestic or international long distance Services.
- 2.9.7 The Company's billing practices will conform with Commission Rules 103-622 (Customer Billing), 103-623 (Adjustment of Bills) and 103-625 (Reasons for Denial or Discontinuance of Service).

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.9 Billing disputes (Cont'd)***

2.9.8 In the case of a billing dispute between the Subscriber and Company for service furnished to the Subscriber, which cannot be settled with mutual satisfaction, the Subscriber can take the following course of action within thirty (30) days of the billing date:

- A. First, the Subscriber may request, and Company will provide, an in-depth review of the disputed amount. However, the undisputed portion and subsequent bills must be paid on a timely basis or the service may be subject to disconnect.
- B. Second, if there is still a disagreement about the disputed amount after the investigation and review by a manager of Company, the Subscriber may file an appropriate complaint with the South Carolina Commerce Commission. The Commission's address is:

Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100  
Columbia, SC 29210  
803-896-5100

**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.10 Deposits***

The Company does not require a deposit from the Customer.

***2.11 Advance Payments***

For customers whom the Company feels an advance payment is necessary, the Company reserves the right to collect an amount not to exceed one (1) month's estimated charges as an advance payment for service. This will be applied against the next month's charges and if necessary a new advance payment will be collected for the next month.

***2.12 Cost of Collection and Enforcement Proceedings***

In the event Company is required to initiate legal proceedings to collect any amounts due to Company for regulated or non-regulated Services, equipment or facilities, or to enforce any judgment obtained against a Customer, or for the enforcement of any other provision of this tariff or applicable law, Customer shall, in addition to all amounts due, be liable to Company for all reasonable costs incurred by Company in such proceedings and enforcement actions, including reasonable attorneys' fees, collection agency fees or payments, and court costs.

***2.13 Taxes***

The Customer is responsible for payment of the Federal, State and Local taxes and surcharges which will be billed as separate line items on his or her bill. All Federal, State and Local taxes and surcharges are not included in the quoted rates.

***2.14 Promotions***

2.14.1 Company may, from time to time, make promotional offerings to enhance the marketing of its Services. These offerings may be limited to certain dates, times and locations.

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**SECTION 2 . Rules and regulations** (Cont'd)***2.14 Promotions (cont'd)***

2.14.2 Sign-up bonuses or promotions will be available only to new customers. Promotions including on-going benefits will be available to all Customers on request, but only if you are a Customer in good standing at the time such award or promotion is scheduled to be granted.

2.14.3 Company reserves the right to amend or terminate promotions upon appropriate notice to you.

2.14.4 If the Customer is eligible to receive free minutes of calling under any promotion(s), he or she will not be eligible to receive, during any 12-month period, a total amount of free minutes of calling in excess of 1,200 minutes.

2.14.5 Company will notify the Commission of the rates, terms, conditions and time intervals applicable to each promotional offering.

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## **Section 3 – Description of Services**

### ***3.1 Timing of Calls***

- 3.1.1 Timing begins when the called station is answered and two-way communication is possible, as determined by standard industry methods generally in use for ascertaining answer. Recognition of answer supervision is the responsibility of the Underlying Carrier. Timing for each call ends when either party hangs up.
- 3.1.2 All calls are billed in one-second billing increments. There are no call setup fees or minimum call charges. This applies for all calls. All calls are rounded to the next second for billing purposes.
- 3.1.3 Company charges no application fee, no monthly fee and no minimum usage requirements to use its Services.
- 3.1.4 Customer is not be billed for uncompleted calls. Uncompleted calls are calls where Customer hangs-up before the called station is answered, or where he or she get a busy signal.
- 3.1.5 A customer can expect a call completion rate (number of calls completed / number of calls attempted) of not less than 90% for all Feature Group D services ("1+" dialing).
- 3.1.6 Tariff calculation is not based on distance of the calls. All calls within the State are billed at the same rate.

### ***3.2 Primary Interexchange Carrier Service***

Primary Interexchange Carrier Service is a non-prepaid inter-LATA and intra-LATA toll service available to residential and business accounts, except hospitals, pay phones, hotels and inmate only facilities, that demonstrate sufficient credit-worthiness. The Customer may place calls only from presubscribed switched access working telephone number where such access is made available at the sole discretion of the Company. The Company serves as the Customer's Primary Interexchange Carrier Service ("PIC") for inter-LATA and intra-LATA toll service.

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**SECTION 3 . Description of Service** (Cont'd)***3.3 Inbound 800 services***

Company provides inter-LATA and intra-LATA telecommunications services, including switched access telephone service. Calls are rated based on the duration of the call.

***3.4 Directory Assistance***

Intrastate Directory Assistance involves the supplying of assistance in determining or attempting to determine the telephone number of a party. Directory Assistance is available to any Customer that has switched access to the Directory Assistance bureau of the DUC. If a Customer calls for Directory Assistance for a call within its LATA, the call is handled by the LEC. If a Customer calls Directory Assistance for a call within the State but outside of its LATA, the call is routed to the DUC for handling.

***3.5 Paper bill***

Company's low rates require that Company provide the Customer's monthly bill online or by email. The Customer can then print it out on paper if he or she needs a paper bill. For a nominal fee, Company can also mail the Customer a printout of his or her bill on paper, either every month as part of his or her service plan, or on special request for a one-time fee.

## **Section 4 – Rates and Charges**

### ***4.1 Primary Interexchange Carrier Service***

Rate per minute is \$.069. Plan is billed per second from the first second of the call with no minimum per call nor call setup fee. The rate is applied all day long (24 hours per day), every day of the week (7 days a week).

### ***4.2 Inbound 800 Service***

Rate per minute is \$.069. Plan is billed per second. The rate is applied all day long (24 hours per day), every day of the week (7 days a week).

### ***4.3 Directory Assistance***

The charge is \$.99 per call.

### ***4.4 Paper Bill***

#### ***4.4.1 Monthly Paper Bill***

The charge for a monthly paper bill is \$.99 recurring per month.

#### ***4.4.2 One-time Paper Bill***

The charge for a one-time paper bill is \$2.99 one-time per request.

### ***4.5 Restoration of Service Charges***

Company will charge a reconnection fee of \$10 when Service is re-established for Customers that have been suspended or disconnected due to non-payment.

**SECTION 4 . Rates and Charges** (Cont'd)***4.6 Late Payment Charges***

A late payment Charge of 1.5% per month will be assessed on all unpaid balances more than thirty days old.

***4.7 Special Promotions***

The Company will, from time to time, offer special promotions to its customers waiving certain charges, These promotions will be approved by the SCPSC with specific starting and ending dates, and be made part of this tariff.

***4.8 Operator services charges and surcharges***

Operator services charges and surcharges will conform with terms of Commission Order 2001-997.

***4.9 Marketing Guidelines***

As a telephone utility under the regulation of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, the Company do hereby assert and affirm that as a reseller of intrastate telecommunications service, it will not indulge or participate in deceptive or misleading telecommunications marketing practices to the detriment of consumers in South Carolina, and it will comply with those marketing procedures, if any, set forth by the Public Service Commission. Additionally, the Company will be responsible for the marketing practices of its contracted telemarketers for compliance with this provision. The Company understands that violation of this provision could result in a rule to show cause as to the withdrawal of its certification to complete intrastate telecommunications traffic within the state of South Carolina.

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***Current Rates***

The current rate per minute applying to business and residential customers for intrastate calls is \$.069, all day long (24 hours per day), every day of the week (7 days a week).

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